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RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AFTER SINE DIE

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
December 8, 2003.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: It has been a privilege to work with you. I am grateful for the support, guidance and opportunities you have provided during my years in the House—especially by allowing me to play a leadership role in so many important healthcare initiatives. As I begin a new path in Kentucky, I will appreciate even more the trials of leadership and the courage of conviction you have exemplified. Thank you for your friendship, and know that I have come to admire the gracious and professional manner in which you lead the House.

During the past 5 years, I have had the great honor to serve as the Representative for the people of the Sixth Congressional District of Kentucky. My service in the U.S. Congress has been a rewarding professional experience. I thank every one of my constituents who put their trust and faith in my leadership.

Having recently been selected by the people of Kentucky to serve as the next Governor of that great Commonwealth, I will resign my seat representing the Sixth Congressional District of Kentucky effective, upon taking the gubernatorial oath of office at midnight on Tuesday, December 9, 2003.

I look forward to working with the distinguished Members of the House in my new position, and have appreciated their friendship,

support, and collegiality during my years in Congress.

Sincerely,

ERNE FLETCHER,
Member of Congress.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
December 8, 2003.

Hon. PAUL PATTON,
Governor, Commonwealth of Kentucky,
Frankfort, KY.

DEAR GOVERNOR PATTON: For the past five years, it has been my honor and privilege to serve the people of Central Kentucky in the U.S. House of Representatives. This past November, I was offered another opportunity to serve the Commonwealth of Kentucky as the next Governor.

I hereby wish to tender my resignation as Kentucky's Sixth Congressional District Representative effective upon taking the gubernatorial oath of office on Tuesday, December 9, 2003.

Sincerely,

ERNE FLETCHER,
Member of Congress.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE AFTER SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 10, 2003.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 10, 2003 at 11:43 a.m.

That the Senate agreed to House amendment S. 686.

That the Senate passed S. Res. 281.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2620.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.J. Res. 82.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 345.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAH, *Clerk of the House.*

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SPEAKER AFTER SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT

OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 11, 2003.

Hon. JEFF TRANDAH,
Clerk of the House of Representatives,
U.S. Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CLERK: For purposes of House Joint Resolution 80 for the 108th Congress, I hereby designate Representative Tom DeLay of Texas to act jointly with the Majority Leader of the Senate or his designee, in the event of my death or inability, to notify the Members of the House and Senate, respectively, of any reassembly under section 2 of such joint resolution. In the event of the death or inability of my designee, the alternate Members of the House listed in the letter bearing this date that I have placed with you are designated, in turn, for the same purpose.

Sincerely,

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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